

Facilities Disposition & Site Remediation Committee Meeting

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Aiken, SC

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Welcome

- This meeting is being recorded live, so please state your name and affiliation when speaking.
 - Tom Barnes (Vice Chair), please ask participants to introduce themselves.
 - James, please tell us who is participating on-line.
- Everyone is invited to participate in the committee's business. If you wish to speak but are not at the table, please come up to the podium so you can be heard easily.
- For those of you on-line, type in your questions & they will be answered during the meeting as time allows.
- There will also be a public comment period where other comments can be heard.
- Make sure that you have signed in on either the PUBLIC sign-in sheet or the CAB Members sign-in sheet.



Committee members

- Marolyn Parson, *Chair*
- Tom Barnes, *Vice Chair*
- Artisha Bolding
- Louie Chavis
- Kathe Golden
- Bill Rhoten



Committee focus

- The committee addresses the remediation of contaminated soil, groundwater, and surface water.
 - Specifically, the committee deals with issues related to:
 - Federal Facility Agreement
 - Risk management/assessment,
 - The regulatory process, and
 - Other cross-cutting issues pertaining to environmental restoration.
- The committee also follows deactivation and decommissioning actions taken to reduce risk & costs following shutdown of excess industrial, radioactive, and nuclear facilities.



Status of recommendations

- One open recommendation, #279 “Federal Facility Agreement Update Provided Annually.”
 - Basically asks Department Of Energy to provide update in a timeframe that allows the Board to give input before changes to the Agreement are made, rather than just providing an update of changes.
 - Response from Department of Energy was received November 16, 2011.
 - While the timeframe for input was not exactly in line with what was stated in the recommendation, it seems workable. We will have to wait and see how it goes next fall.



Status of recommendations

- Two pending recommendation, first is #283 “Revising The Department Of Energy Websites & Using Plain Language To Communicate With the Public More Effectively”
 - Basically the recommendation asks the Department of Energy
 - To post more information on its websites,
 - To make the websites more searchable,
 - To make the websites usable to users with different computer platforms, &
 - To write documents using plain language that is easy to understand by the general public.
- Response received from the Department on January 16, 2012. Discussion of this response will take place after tonight’s presentation.



Status of recommendations

- Second pending recommendation: #285 “Reallocation of Funds for Regulatory Support in FY 2012 Appropriations & Request for Increase in FY 2013”, is jointly sponsored with the Strategic & Legacy Management Committee.
 - Basically the recommendation asks the Department of Energy
 - To take steps to restore funding in FY 2012 for regulatory support to support cleanup goals, and
 - To make a commitment that the FY 2013 budget will be prepared to restore funding for regulatory support for FY 2013 cleanup goals.
- Awaiting response from the Department of Energy.

Presentation

External Web Performance and Accessibility

Julie Petersen and Chris Upshaw

Department of Energy, Savannah River



Topic for discussion

- DOE Response to Recommendation #283.
 - Per the CAB's Internal Processes, the committee needs to review DOE's response & decide if it is satisfactory. If response is satisfactory & when all required actions have been met, the recommendation status is updated to "closed-complete."
 - If the response is not considered satisfactory, Committee Chair , with assistance from the CAB Support Team, gets back to DOE through the Designated Deputy Federal Officer and attempts to resolve the issues.



Recommendation #283 Discussion

- 1) Review www.srs.gov and www.DOE.gov to see how the two websites can be modified so that information about the Savannah River Site is readily available on both sites and vice versa. **Is this addressed?**
- 2) Review www.srs.gov and www.DOE.gov and revise as necessary to make all information accessible to all computer platforms. **Is this addressed?**
- 3) Make all documents that are noted in the “Environmental Bulletin from *the Savannah River Site*” available online. **Is this addressed?**



Recommendation #283 Discussion

- 4) Write all documents intended for public use per the “Federal Plain Language Guidelines.” **Is this addressed?**
- 5) Review the “Open Government Directive” to determine to what extent Environmental Management at SRS is in compliance with the intent of the Directive in terms of publishing government information online and to present its findings to the CAB at a full board meeting no later than January 2012. **Is this addressed?**



Next meeting

- Tuesday, June 19, 2012, at 6:00-8:00 p.m.
 - DOE Meeting Center in Aiken, SC, &
 - Streamed online via Live Meeting.
 - If you cannot attend in person, check out the meeting using Live Meeting
 - It is easy to use & a good way to participate.
- Planned Presentations
 - Building 235-F Deactivation
 - SRS Energy Management Overview



Public Comments?